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Interreg Europe

FOUNDATION will provide a framework and roadmap for regions facing industrial closures, job losses and uncertainty, to develop economic resilience through collaboration.

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About the FOUNDATION Project

FOUNDATION is an Interreg Europe funded SME Competitiveness project that brings together nine partners in a consortium led by Munster Technological University. The project is focused on supporting regions pre and post shocks and closures of anchor tenants in their industrial ecosystems. The impacts of a closure of course go beyond direct employees and ripple, wave like throughout the regional services sector and economy. Management of such anticipated structural change requires proactive renewal of business approaches and policy supports.

In the wake of COVID-19 the FOUNDATION partnership wishes to share information, training opportunities and good practices with external stakeholders to support them in accessing information to plan for the future. Whilst our medical professionals fight this pandemic on the front line, collaborative sharing by regional stakeholders can support resilience of all regions across Europe and further afield in enabling them to adapt to what is unprecedented change.



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Labour Market during COVID



Homeoffice forever? How working world changes

12 months of the Corona pandemic in the rearview mirror: How has the world of work changed? What remains? What goes again? How does the state's policy address the short- and long-term consequences? ['Read more'](#)



Irish Research Start-Ups Bolstering Economy

Researcher-led start-ups at University College Cork have raised more than €50m of public and private investment since 2012, with 60 companies now employing 400 people, and contributing €22m a year in salaries to the local economy. ['Read more'](#)

Regional Support Programmes



Loans for Tourism in Eastern Poland

The Entrepreneurial Eastern Poland - Tourism Project launches PLN 60 million loans to support micro, small and medium-sized enterprises in the tourism sector. ['Read more'](#)



Greater Manchester Unveil Recovery Plans

The Greater Manchester Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) –the organisation which brings together the private and public sectors to support business growth– has set out a bold new vision for a greener and fairer Greater Manchester. ['Read more'](#)

Enhancing Resilience



Second-chance Entrepreneurship Strategy

Would you like to hear more about regional action plans for 2nd chance entrepreneurship? In the framework of DanubeChance 2.0 project the 3rd Policy Learning Dialogue Workshop will be held on 18 March 2021.

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EU recovery fund should be targeted at areas and sectors with high added value

This year, the Government of Lithuania plans to finance projects worth €813m. This strategy must accommodate the economic areas and sectors where there is little competition or where innovative products are developed.

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Art Scene during COVID



Building Resilience in Arts Sector

The Arts council of Ireland will be hosting 6 online workshops entitled “surviving or thriving?”. The goal of the series is to help strengthen attendees’ resilience, restore their confidence and promote connectedness across the arts sector. ['Read more'](#)



The Industrial Crisis in Cartagena wins the Spanish Film Festival

The industrial crisis in Cartagena during the 90s was taken to the cinema and has been awarded as the best short film at the Spanish Film Ceremony. ['Read more'](#)

Innovation on COVID Times



Breath analysing device of COVID-19

Finnish company, DEEP SENSING Algorithms, has been developing a rapid, new COVID-19 test, which is taking a sample in 15 seconds and diagnosing it in 3 seconds. The cooperation has started with Tepcomp, for the manufacture of the device. ['Read more'](#)

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